

SPECIAL PROCESSING SUBMISSION

<b style="font-size: 1.2em;">32692 Customer Number	PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR § 1.137(b)	Case No.: 58811US002
Attention: Office of Petitions Mail Stop Petition Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 FAX: 571-273-8300	First Named Inventor: SUITOR, ANGELO J. <hr/> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> Application No: 10/650498 Filed: August 28, 2003 </div> <hr/> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> Title: DIP COATING APPARATUS </div> <hr/> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> Confirmation No.: 6967 </div>	

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper reply to a notice or action by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The date of abandonment is the day after the expiration date of the period set for reply in the Office Notice or Action plus any extensions of time actually obtained.

APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION

NOTE: A grantable petition requires the following items:

- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee — required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995; and for all design applications; and
- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

- (1) ☐ Please charge the fee provided in 37 CFR § 1.17(m) to Deposit Account No. 13-3723. One copy of this sheet marked duplicate is also enclosed.
- ☒ Any required fee will be paid at the time of EFS-Web submission.
- ☒ If necessary, charge any required fee, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3723.

(2) Reply

A. The reply to the Office Action dated 10/21/2005 in the form of Response:

- ☒ has been filed previously on 12/13/2005, deemed non-responsive in Advisory Action dated 05/09/2006.
- ☒ a substitute response is enclosed herewith.

B. The issue fee of \$_____:

- ☐ has been paid previously on _____. Copies of the Issue Fee Transmittal form and postcard receipt are enclosed.

(3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee

- ☒ Since this utility application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no Terminal disclaimer is required.
- ☐ A Terminal Disclaimer (and disclaimer fee) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed.

(4) STATEMENT: The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR § 1.137(b) was unintentional. Applicants filed a Response to the Office Action of 10/21/2005 on 12/13/2005- within two months. Examiner's Advisory Action was not mailed within 1 month, as required M.P.E.P. 706.07(f). Rather, Advisory Action was mailed more than 6 months after the mailing date of the Office Action, resulting in the abandonment.

[NOTE: The United States Patent and Trademark Office may require additional information if there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR § 1.137(b) was unintentional (MPEP 711.03(c), subsections (III)(C) and (D))].

Date

May 12, 2006

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Enclosures: ☐ One copy of this sheet marked duplicate is also enclosed.
☐ Reply
☐ Terminal disclaimer
☐ Additional sheets containing statements establishing unintentional delay
☐ Other: _____

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being:

- ☐ deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: **Mail Stop Petition**, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.
- ☐ transmitted by facsimile on the date shown below to the United States Patent and Trademark Office at 571-273-8300.

Date

Signed by: